

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES**

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE-MAKING

In accordance with Rhode Island General Law (RIGL) 42-35 and 42-72-5, notice is hereby given that the Department of Children, Youth and Families proposes to amend the following DCYF rule:

RESIDENT ORIENTATION TO THE EDUCATION PROGRAM

This rule, formerly entitled Education: Student Orientation, is being amended in compliance with the federal court order relating to RI Training School residents, the accreditation standards of the American Correctional Association (ACA) for Juvenile Training Schools and Juvenile Detention Facilities, the accreditation standards of the Correctional Education Association and the opening of new facilities. The rule is amended to provide comprehensive direction to educational staff on procedures for orienting new residents to the RI Training School Alternative Education Program and new facilities. The previous version of this policy, refiled 1/5/07, is superseded by this amended version.

In the amendment of this rule, consideration was given to the following: (1) alternative approaches and (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions. No alternative approach or duplication or overlap was identified based upon available information.

This amended rule is accessible on the R.I. Secretary of State's website (<http://www.sec.state.ri.us/ProposedRules/>) and the DCYF website (<http://www.dcyf.ri.gov>) or available in hard copy upon request (401-528-3685). Interested persons should submit data, views or written comments by July 26, 2010 to Susan Bowler, Administrator for Families and Children, Department of Children, Youth and Families, 101 Friendship Street, Providence, RI 02903 (Susan.Bowler@dcyf.ri.gov).

In accordance with RIGL 42-35-3, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within thirty (30) days of this notice.

~~Resident~~ Education: ~~Student~~ Orientation to the Education Program

Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families
Division of Juvenile Correctional Services: Training School ~~and Detention Center~~

Policy: 1200.1707

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~~Student~~ Residents receive orientation sessions throughout various stages of confinement. Orientation introduces ~~student~~ residents to the staff, services, procedures and processes related to education at the Rhode Island Training School.

Related Procedures~~s~~

~~Resident~~ Education: ~~Student~~ Orientation to the Education Program

Related Policy

Incentive System – Points and Levels

Education: Resident Student Orientation to the Education Program

Procedure from Policy 1200.1707: Resident Orientation to the Education Program Education: Student Orientation

- A. Upon intake all residents ~~will~~ receive an orientation regarding the services and programs ~~that are~~ available at the RITS. ~~The orientation will include a~~ which includes an overview of general orientation to the education program.
- B. A special education teacher is assigned to engage the newly ~~arrived-detained~~ education residents in a discussion of. ~~He/she will discuss the education program with these residents to provide a opportunities and expectations for general overview of their~~ participation in the program. The teacher ~~He/she will~~ also address es any concerns and/or questions that the resident may have regarding ~~the status of~~ his ~~/or~~ her educational program.
- C. Educational staff conducts ~~s student~~ orientations ~~s~~ before the start of the school year and throughout the year. ~~Staff~~ They provide ~~resident~~ students with information that includes, but is not limited to, standards and criteria for behavior, procedures for being excused from the classroom, educational program options, transition, the Incentive System – Ppoints and Levels system, testing and report cards.
- D. Paragraphs A - C are consistent with Correctional Education Association Standard 30, as well as, American Correctional Association Standards 3-JDF-3C-01; 3-JDF-5A-02; 3-JTS-3C-01; and 3-JTS-5D-02.